

ATLANTIC WIND ENERGY WORKSHOP

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PROGRAM

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WELCOME TO THE ATLANTIC WIND ENERGY WORKSHOP

*“If we are wise with our planning,
we can help build a robust and
environmentally responsible
offshore renewable energy program
that creates jobs here at home.”*

Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar

Meeting Objectives:

As part of the Secretary of the Interior’s “Smart from the Start” wind energy initiative to spur renewable energy development on the Outer Continental Shelf, this workshop will assist the Department of the Interior’s (DOI) Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE) and its federal partners in environmental and technical reviews of wind energy areas and in the evaluation of new projects. Additionally, this workshop is part of the DOI-Department of Energy (DOE), Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) process to coordinate environmental monitoring and baseline studies in support of environmental assessment and consultations for siting and leasing in the **mid-Atlantic** wind energy areas.

Specific goals:

- (1) Provide an update of recent and ongoing environmental and social sciences research conducted since the Worldwide Synthesis and Analysis of Existing Information Regarding Environmental Effects of Alternative Energy Uses on the Outer Continental Shelf workshop in 2007 and BOEMRE technology and safety studies on renewable energy;
- (2) Identify key data needs and prioritize research gaps; and
- (3) Develop partnerships and identifying potential synergies for future studies.

Following the meeting a workshop summary will be available.

**Day One (July 12, 2011)
Plenary Session**

8:00-8:45 **CIRRUS FOYER A** **Registration and continental breakfast**

8:45-12:15 **CIRRUS BALLROOM** **All groups until 12:15 PM**

Session Objective: The workshop focus is on the available data and information needs for site assessment and operational planning in the mid-Atlantic Wind Energy Areas. The plenary session is designed to set the stage for the breakout sessions (page 5).

8:45-9:15	Welcome & Keynote Address –Introduction and Scope of Workshop including DOI-DOE MOU, "Smart from the Start" research initiatives, goals of workshop including an update of knowledge; priority data gap identification, and developing partnerships and collaboration – <i>Michael R. Bromwich, Director</i>
9:15-9:40	BOEMRE Renewable Energy Research and Regulatory Program Update – An overview of the planning, leasing and environmental review processes for wind energy on the Atlantic OCS. This will include a brief overview of existing and expected survey guidelines for potential lessees. A state-by-state status will be given, including identification of current and future wind energy areas – <i>Maureen Bornholdt, Program Manager, Office of Offshore Alternative Energy Programs</i>
9:40-10:05	Department of Energy – An overview of market barriers for future wind energy projects, and how these barriers are being address under DOE funding opportunities – <i>Dr. Christopher G. Hart, Offshore Wind Manager, DOE</i>
10:05-10:25	Energy Market and Infrastructure Information for Evaluating Alternative Energy Projects for OCS Atlantic – Summary of BOEMRE Study – <i>Dr. Maureen Kaplan, Eastern Research Group, Inc.</i>

10:25-10:35 **Break**

10:35-12:15	Federal Agency Panel – In addition to BOEMRE and DOE, many other federal agencies have roles in offshore renewable energy, either as a regulator or resource agency. Panel participants will discuss each of their legal mandates and how the agencies are coordinating with each other to reduce duplication and increase efficiency. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Moderator – <i>Joel Whitman, CEO, Global Marine Energy, Inc.</i>• BOEMRE – <i>Maureen Bornholdt, Program Manager, Office of Offshore Alternative Energy</i>• FERC – <i>Tim Konnert, Fish Biologist, Office of Energy Projects</i>• FWS – <i>David Cottingham, Senior Advisor to the Director</i>• USGS – <i>Walter Barnhardt, Director, Woods Hole Coastal & Marine Science Center</i>• NPS – <i>Sarah A. Quinn, J.D., External Renewable Energy Specialist</i>• NOAA – <i>Emily Lindow, Senior Policy Advisor</i>• FAA – <i>John Page, Obstruction Evaluation Group</i>• USACE – <i>James Haggerty, NAD Program Manager</i>• USCG – <i>George Detweiler, Marine Transportation Specialist</i>• DOD – <i>Frederick Engle, Office of the Secretary of Defense</i>• EPA – <i>Susan E. Bromm, Director, Office of Federal Activities</i>• ACHP – <i>Tom McCulloch, Senior Program Analyst</i> Facilitated Q & A session
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12:15-1:00 Lunch – Bag lunches provided

**1:00-5:00 ROCKBRIDGE ROOM Technology Assessment & Resource (TA&R)
Program: Renewable Energy Studies session – Page 7-9**

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Day One facilitator for environmental sessions will be Brian Balcom, CSA International, Inc.

1:00-3:00 Information Management and Data Sharing Products Panel – Cross-discipline look at mapping and data issues in support of the science needed for planning, decision making and stewardship. Panel participants will discuss existing and future efforts, including Coastal Marine Spatial Planning (CMSP), geo-spatial databases, mapping products, and data portals. (10 minute briefs with Q & A at the end).

- **Moderator** – *Dr. Mary Boatman (BOEMRE)*
- **EcoSpatial Information Database (ESID)** – *Keld Madsen, Geospatial Services Manager, AMEC*
- **Habitat Mapping** – *Chris Caldwell, Branch Chief, NOAA Biogeography Branch*
- **Sonar Mapping for Multipurpose Use and an Integrated Ocean and Coastal Mapping Standard** – *Dr. Brian Calder, NOAA/University of New Hampshire Joint Hydrographic Center*
- **Space Use Conflicts** – Developing a geospatial database compatible with the BOEMRE mapping system to assist in determining multiple uses offshore – *John Weiss, Industrial Economics, Inc.*
- **Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean – MARCO Data Portal** – *Laura McKay, Program Manager, Virginia CZM Program, Dept of Environmental Quality*
- **Northeast Regional Council on the Ocean – NROC Data Portal** – *Nicholas Napoli, Director of Marine Planning Programs, Massachusetts Ocean Partnership*
- **OBIS-SEAMAP** – *Patrick N. Halpin, Associate Professor of Marine Geospatial Ecology, Duke University*
- **MMC** – The future of data sharing – Update on Multipurpose Marine Cadastre – *Christine Taylor (BOEMRE) and Brian Smith (NOAA)*

Facilitated Q & A session

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15-5:00 LAYTON ROOM Social-Economics Afternoon Session: Overview of Assessment Focus (Environmental Assessment and NEPA) and the Cultural and Historic Resources Session –Page 9

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3:15-5:00 Developers Panel – Monitoring from meteorological towers, buoys and survey plans, capabilities, limitations and lessons from the field.

- **Moderator** – *Jim Lanard, President, Offshore Wind Development Coalition*
- **Fishermen's Energy of NJ, LLC** – *Stephen O'Malley, Engineering Coordinator*
- **Deepwater Wind, LLC** – *Aileen Kenney, Director of Permitting*
- **Bluewater Wind NJ Energy, LLC & Bluewater Wind Delaware, LLC** – *Laurie Jodziewicz, Director of Permitting*
- **Atlantic Wind Connection** – *Kris Ohleth, Director of Permitting, Atlantic Wind Connection*

Facilitated Q & A session

5:00-5:30 Day one summary and direction for day two

Day Two (July 13, 2011) Breakout Sessions

- 1) **Environmental Breakout Sessions: Monitoring and Baseline Studies**,
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- 2) **Technology Assessment & Resource Program: Renewable Energy Studies**,
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- 3) **Social-Economic Breakout: Assessment Driven Issues**,
CIRRUS CD ROOM – Page 10
- 4) **Birds, Bats and Offshore Wind Development: Remaining Information Gaps**,
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Environmental Breakout Sessions: Focus on Biological and Habitat Concerns Related to Environmental Monitoring and Baseline Studies Breakout Sessions Day Two (July 13, 2011)

8:00-9:00 CIRRUS FOYER A **Registration and continental breakfast**
9:00-5:15 CIRRUS AB ROOM

Day Two facilitator for all environmental breakout sessions will be
Brian Balcom, CSA International, Inc.

9:00-10:45 **State Planning and Information**

Session Objective: To provide information on state ocean management plans and baseline study efforts, including obstacles encountered and remaining gaps and how this information is useful to the OCS development.

- **Moderator** – *Jennifer Ewald, BOEMRE*

9:00-9:15 **New Jersey Ecological Baseline Study** – *Dr. Gary A. Buchanan*

9:15-9:30 **Massachusetts Ocean Plan** – *Bill White*

9:30-9:45 **Maine State Planning Office, Maine Coastal Program** – *Matt Nixon*

9:45-10:00 **Rhode Island Ocean Special Area Management Plan** – *Grover Fugate*

10:00-10:15 **Developing Environmental Protocols** – *Michelle Carnevale and Dr. John King*

10:15-10:45 **Facilitated Q & A session**

10:45-11:00 **Break**

11:00-12:00 Broad Scale Habitat, Abundance and Distribution – Consultation Process
Session Objective: To provide an overview of the applicable environmental laws and regulations enforced by the other environmental agencies, namely NOAA and FWS, that govern offshore renewable energy activities. Provide the attendees with an overview of the Acts, the information, data, and applications to comply with the Acts, and the timing for these compliance documents.

- **Moderator** – *Kim Skrupky, BOEMRE*

11:00-11:15 Marine Mammal Permits – *NOAA, Michelle Magliocca*

11:15-11:30 ESA Consultations – *NOAA, Kellie Foster (invited)*

11:30-11:45 ESA Consultations – *FWS, Julie Thompson*

11:45-12:00 Facilitated Q & A session

12:00-1:00 Lunch – bag lunches provided

1:00-3:00 Broad Scale Habitat, Abundance & Distribution – Baseline Data
Session Objective: To identify what species are being studied in what locations, during which seasons, using which technologies, and if there is any data (or preliminary data).

- **Moderator** – *Kim Skrupky, BOEMRE*

1:00-1:15 Fisheries Distribution & Abundance – SASI model (What does the model tell us?) and its applicability to provide baseline information on wind energy areas – *Michael Fogarty*

1:15-1:35 Fisheries Management Council Perspective: Spatial Aspects of Fishery Management Plans – *Tom Hoff, MAFMC & Michelle Bachman, NEFMC & Roger Pugliese SAFMC*

1:35-1:50 NMFS Surveys – *Dr. Sofie Van Parijs, NMFS*

1:50-2:05 AMAPPS – Update on this multi-agency project – *Kim Skrupky, BOEMRE*

2:05-2:20 Navy Baseline Studies – *Robin Fitch, U.S. Navy*

2:20-3:00 Facilitated Q & A session – How these data may be incorporated in environmental analyses, which data gaps exist, and which data gaps can be closed soon.

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15-5:15 Acoustic Monitoring Technology and Impacts
Session Objective: To identify which monitoring methods and technologies are currently being used, both unsuccessfully and successfully, on various species, locations, and seasons. And what impacts have been identified

- **Moderator** – *Dr. Michael Rasser, BOEMRE*

3:00-3:15 OSC Acoustic Monitoring – *David Zeddies, JASCO*

3:15-3:30 Monitoring Technologies and Acoustics PNNL – *Tom Carlson, PNNL*

3:45-4:00 Acoustic Monitoring, Impacts and Sound Characterization – *Peter Dugan, Cornell*

4:00-4:15 Electromagnetic Fields – *Ann Pembroke, Normandeau Associates*

4:15-4:45 NMFS Large Whales and Acoustics – *Dr. Sofie Van Parijs*

4:45-5:15 Facilitated Q & A session – How these data may be incorporated in environmental analyses, which data gaps exist, and which data gaps can be closed soon.

5:15–5:30 Day two summary and direction for day three

**Technology Assessment and Resource (TA&R) Program:
Renewable Energy Studies
Breakout Sessions Day One (July 12, 2011)**

1:00-5:00 **ROCKBRIDGE ROOM**

Day One facilitator for all TA&R sessions will be Dan White, Continental Shelf Associates, Inc.

Moderator: Lori Medley, BOEMRE

1:00-1:30	Overview of TA&R Program and Summary Review of Renewable Energy Studies Conducted to Date – <i>Lori Medley, BOEMRE</i>
1:30-2:00	TA&R 634 “Mitigation of Underwater Pile Driving Noise During Offshore Construction” and TA&R 651 “Evaluate the Effect of Turbine Period of Vibration Requirements on Structural Design Parameters” – <i>Dwight Davis, Applied Physical Sciences Corp.</i>
2:00-2:45	TA&R 633 “Wind Farm/Turbine Accidents and the Applicability to Risks to Personnel and Property on the OCS, and Design Standards to Ensure Structural Safety/Reliability/Survivability of Offshore Wind Farms on the OCS” and TA&R 671 “Offshore Electrical Cable Burial for Wind Farms: State of the Art; Standards and Guidance; Acceptable Burial Depths and Separation Distances; and Sand Wave Effects” – <i>Dr. Malcolm Sharples, Offshore Risk and Technology Consulting Inc.</i>

2:45-3:00 **Break**

3:00-3:25	TA&R 656 “Seabed Scour Considerations” – <i>Tom McNeilan, Fugro Atlantic</i>
3:25-3:50	TA&R 627 “Assess/Develop Inspection Methodologies for Offshore Wind Turbine Facilities” and TA&R 650 “Offshore Wind Turbine Inspection Refinements” – <i>Robert Sheppard, Energo Engineering</i>
3:50-4:15	TA&R 669 “Floating Wind Turbines” and TA&R 670 “Design Standards for Offshore Wind Farms” – <i>Qing Yu, American Bureau of Shipping</i>
4:15-4:30	TA&R 672 “Development of an Integrated Extreme Wind, Wave, Current, and Water Level Climatology to Support Standards-Based Design of Offshore Wind Projects” – <i>George Hagerman, Virginia Tech Advanced Research Institute</i>
4:30-4:40	IEC TC 88 status update – <i>James Manwell, Univ. of Mass.</i>
4:40-4:50	TRB “Structural Integrity of Offshore Wind Turbines” report – <i>Walt Musial, NREL</i>

4:50-5:00 **Closing remarks and instructions for tomorrow’s sessions**

**Technology Assessment and Resource (TA&R) Program:
Renewable Energy Studies
Breakout Sessions Day Two (July 13, 2011)**

8:00-9:00 **CIRRUS FOYER A** **Registration and continental breakfast**

9:00-5:15 **ROCKBRIDGE ROOM**

Day Two facilitator for all TA&R sessions will be Dan White, Continental Shelf Associates, Inc.

Moderator: Lori Medley, BOEMRE

9:00-9:30	Open Mic – An opportunity for participants to present any other relevant efforts that have been recently completed, or that are on-going that may have an impact on TA&R research efforts.
9:30-9:50	“Proven Technology” in New Operating Environments – Several differences in the operating environment of the Atlantic seaboard, and the areas where offshore wind turbines currently are sited have been identified, e.g. hurricanes and open-ocean breaking waves. What other issues present unique concerns for the US OCS? What can we adapt from oil and gas experience?
9:50-10:10	Marine Hydrokinetic (MHK) Devices (with special emphasis on current devices in the Gulf Stream) – FERC will be the regulatory agency for construction and operations of some MHK devices on BOEMRE leases, but if the device is not grid connected, BOEMRE will regulate its construction and operations. Design standards have not been developed for these devices. What are the key operational safety/protection of the environment concerns? Are API standards, such as those for the design of mooring systems, appropriate for this industry?
10:10-10:30	Design and Safety Standards Gaps – Several preliminary studies and on-going standards maintenance efforts have been initiated. What gaps have been identified? Are they appropriate for consideration for research under the TA&R program funding?

10:30-10:45 **Break**

10:45-11:05	Regulating Worker Safety – The risks to offshore oil and gas workers and terrestrial wind farm workers will be discussed with the goal of determining the key issues of regulating worker safety on the US OCS.
11:05-11:25	Working with Intellectual Property in Technology and Safety Assessments – Recent documents submitted to BOEMRE have revealed that offshore wind turbines may contain substances that present hazards that are not obvious, e.g. ethylene glycol contained in a dampering system. What other unknown hazards are there? How do we work around IP issues?
11:25-12:00	Participants’ Concerns – Participants will be encouraged to introduce additional topics.

12:00-1:00 **Lunch – bag lunch provided**

1:00-4:00	Development of potential research topics – Based on topics identified in the morning session, those deemed most appropriate for potential funding under the TA&R program will be further defined. Most critical topics will be identified and research requirements including data sources and other challenges will be discussed.
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4:00-5:00 **Wrap Up**

**Social-Economic Breakout:
Assessment Driven Issues
Breakout Sessions Day One (July 12, 2011)**

1:00-5:30 **LAYTON ROOM**

Day One facilitator for socioeconomic session will be David Blaha, ERM

3:15-3:35 **Discussion on the Assessment Driven Focus of This Workshop (Environmental Assessments/NEPA)**

3:35-5:30 **Cultural and Historic Resources**

Session Topics: Historic/Cultural resources, tribal issues, archaeological resources, submerged cultural sites and landscapes.

- **Moderator** – *Brian Jordan, BOEMRE*
- **Fathom Research, LLC** – *Mr. David Robinson*
- **Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head** – *Ms. Bettina Washington*
- **Narragansett Indian Tribe** – *Mr. Doug Harris*
- **BOEMRE** – *Mr. David Ball*
- **Sea Education Association** – *Dr. John Jensen*

Conclusion for Day 1

**Social-Economic Breakout:
Assessment Driven Issues
Breakout Sessions Day Two (July 13, 2011)**

8:00-9:00 **CIRRUS FOYER A** **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

9:00-5:40 **CIRRUS CD ROOM**

Day Two facilitator for all socioeconomic sessions will be David Blaha, ERM

9:00-9:10 **Recap: Assessment Driven Focus of This Workshop**

9:10-11:10 **Multi-Use Issues/Space-Use Conflicts**

Session Topics: OCS renewable energy and space-use conflicts and related mitigation, recreational fishing, commercial fishing, DOD, shipping, human geography/ spatial analysis.

- **Moderator** – *John Primo, BOEMRE*
- **Independent Contractor and University of Maryland, Adjunct Faculty** – *Dr. Susan Abbott-Jamieson*
- **University of Delaware** – *Dr. Jeremy Firestone*
- **Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute** – *Dr. Porter Hoagland*
- **Rutgers University** – *Dr. Kevin St. Martin*

11:10-12:10 **Lunch – bag lunches provided**

12:10-2:10 **Public Perception, Legal Studies, Visual Impacts, Tourism**

Session Topics: Marine policy, impact on tourism, public perception, legal issues, visual Impacts on historic properties.

- **Moderator** – *Amardeep Dhanju, BOEMRE*
- **University of Delaware** – *Dr. Jeremy Firestone*
- **Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head** – *Ms. Bettina Washington*
- **Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory** – *Mr. Ben Hoen*
- **Clean Power Now** – *Ms. Barbara Hill*

2:10-2:40 **Break**

2:40-4:40 **Economic Impact, Regulatory, Policy, Stakeholder Issues and Infrastructure**

Session Topics: Land-based resources (jobs, facilities, infrastructure), property values, navigational access and safety, staging areas, ports and harbors, vessels, grid infrastructure.

- **Moderator** – *Gary Norton, DOE*
- **Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University** – *Mr. Matt Unger*
- **Eastern Research Group, Inc.** – *Dr. Maureen Kaplan*
- **Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute** – *Dr. Porter Hoagland*

4:40-5:40 **Create Social Science Report – Facilitator/Support Staff, Panel Members, Moderators, and BOEMRE/DOE Personnel**

**Birds, Bats and Offshore Wind Development:
Remaining Information Gaps
Breakout Sessions Day Two (July 13, 2011)**

8:00-9:00 **CIRRUS FOYER A** **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

9:00-4:00 **LAYTON Room**

Day Two facilitator for all birds and bats sessions will be Julia Tims, ERM

<p>9:00-12:00</p> <p>Session Objective: To present information on immediate information needs and on current and planned research efforts. Following the presentations, there will be a facilitated discussion aimed at identifying and prioritizing the remaining information gaps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator – <i>Dr. James Woehr, BOEMRE</i> <p>9:00-9:15 BOEMRE Immediate Information Needs – <i>Dr. David Bigger, BOEMRE</i></p> <p>9:15-9:45 “Marine Bird and Offshore Wind Workshop- Summary” – <i>Melanie Steinkamp, FWS</i></p> <p>9:45-11:00 Current research efforts & expected startups – Panel</p> <p><i>Dr. James Woehr, BOEMRE</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Caleb Gordon, Normandeau</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Allan O’Connell, USGS</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Richard Veit, CSI/CUNY</i></p>	<p>Birds, Bats and Offshore Wind Development: Remaining Information Gaps</p>
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11:00-11:15 **Break**

<p>11:15-12:00</p>	<p>Ongoing Offshore Bat Studies in the Gulf of Maine, <i>Steve Pelletier, CWB Stantec</i></p>
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12:00-1:00 **Lunch – bag lunch provided**

<p>1:00-2:30</p>	<p>List of research needs – Report from FWS workshop & Bat Studies– <i>Melanie Steinkamp, FWS & David Bigger, BOEMRE</i></p>
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2:30-2:45 **Break**

<p>2:45-4:15</p>	<p>Prioritize research needs – Follow up from FWS workshop & Bat Studies – <i>Melanie Steinkamp, FWS & David Bigger, BOEMRE</i></p>
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<p>4:15-5:00</p>	<p>Create Bird & Bat Research prioritized research needs report</p>
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**Workshop Breakout Overview Data Gaps and Partnerships
Day Three (July 14, 2011)**

- 8:00-9:00** **CIRRUS FOYER A** **Registration and continental breakfast**
- 9:00-12:15** **CIRRUS BALLROOM** **Breakout groups present overview of findings, identify priority data gaps and overlaps and identify partnerships and collaboration**
- 9:00-9:30** **Environmental: Monitoring and Baseline Studies**
- 9:30-10:00** **Social – Economics**
- 10:00-10:15** **Break**
- 10:15-10:45** **Birds & Bats**
- 10:45-11:15** **TA&R**
- 11:15-12:15** **Open Discussion & Public Comment**
- 12:15-1:15** **Lunch – on your own**
- 1:15-4:00** **Development of future study topics with Federal Partners or Collaborators**

SPEAKER/PRESENTER BIOSKETCHES

Listed by Session and Presentation Order

PLENARY SESSION

Director Bromwich

Michael R. Bromwich is the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement and has served in that position since June 21, 2010. He was asked by President Obama and Interior Secretary Ken Salazar to lead reforms that will strengthen oversight and regulation of offshore oil and gas development and oversee the fundamental restructuring of the former Minerals Management Service, which was responsible for overseeing oil and gas development on the Outer Continental Shelf.

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Dr. Christopher G. Hart graduated from the United States Naval Academy with a degree in Naval Architecture, Ocean, and Marine Engineering and immediately accepted a commission as a Special Operations Officer in the US Navy. After ten years of Active Duty, during which he saw combat deployments in Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, Dr. Hart began his graduate school studies at the University of Michigan. In the ensuing 44 months, Dr. Hart earned a PhD and MSE in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, along with an MBA. Dr. Hart has served as the Offshore Wind Manager at the United States Department of Energy (DOE) since June, 2010. During his tenure at DOE he has worked to create an offshore wind energy industry in the United States by building a team of innovative, committed civil servants and contractors, authoring the National Offshore Wind Strategy, and allocating nearly \$80M of program funds.

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Dr. Kaplan is a Vice President in Eastern Research Group's in the Economics and Regulatory Analysis section. For the past six years, she has supported BOEMRE in socioeconomic analyses for energy operations in OCS regions. She managed the analysis and identification of infrastructure components relative to offshore wind, wave, and ocean energy projects in Atlantic and Pacific OCS regions; examined infrastructure supporting offshore oil and gas operations in the Gulf of Mexico; developed a Gulf-wide methodology for estimating the jobs and revenues associated with coastal travel, tourism, and recreation; prepared an in-depth analysis of the jobs in the offshore oil services industry and a geographic distribution of those jobs, and other projects. She looks forward to participating in this exciting collaboration.

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Emily Lindow is the Senior Policy Advisor to the Assistant Administrator at NOAA Fisheries Service (NMFS). She has the lead for the NMFS energy policy portfolio, which includes offshore oil and gas, liquefied natural gas, conventional hydropower, offshore wind, marine hydrokinetic energy, and coastal nuclear energy. Emily has substantial energy and environmental policy experience, having served as the Senior Policy Advisor to the Secretary of Commerce and the NOAA Under Secretary, as well as working for the Senate Commerce Committee. She recently served as a Senior Analyst for environmental, regulatory, and Arctic issues at the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling. Emily has Master of Environmental Management degree from Duke University and a Master of Arts degree in International Relations from Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies.

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